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SUBJECT: ADVISORY GROUP OF EXPERTS

1. IN PREPARATION FOR UPCOMING NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE, DEPT IS INVESTIGATING POSSIBLE AFFIRMATIVE INITIATIVES TO BE TAKEN BY US DEL. AMONG THESE IS A PROPOSAL THAT THE IAEA SHOULD ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY GROUP OF EXPERTS TO ASSIST LDCS IN PLANNING AND SETTING UP PHYSICAL SECURITY PROCEDURES FOR PROTECTION OF THEIR CIVIL NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES.

2. WE NOTE THAT DG IN STATEMENT TO GENERAL CONFERENCE LAST FALL SAID HE WOULD BECOME MORE INVOLVED IN THIS AREA AND WE ENVISAGE PROPOSAL AS POSSIBLY APPROPRIATE SUPPLEMENT TO HIS UNDERTAKING.

3. FYI. IF PROPOSAL GAINS SUPPORT AT IAEA AND AMONG MAJOR
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SUPPLIERS WITH WHOM WE WILL BE CONSULTING BEFORE AND

DURING PRELIMINARIES TO MAY NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE, US WOULD PROBABLY BE WILLING TO INTRODUCE THE PROPOSAL AND TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR OBLIQUE MENTION TO IT, IN THE FINAL CONFERENCE DECLARATION, AS A COMPLEMENTARY ADJUNCT TO NPT OBJECTIVES. IT SHOULD BE NOTED AT THE OUTSET, HOWEVER, THAT CERTAIN "SUPPLIERS" HAVE EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SPECIFIC AND SENSITIVE ASPECTS OF THEIR OWN

PHYSICAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS BEING COMPROMISED THROUGH DETAILED INTERNATIONAL DIALOGUE ON THIS SUBJECT. END FYI.

4. DEPT WOULD WELCOME MISSION COMMENTS ON THIS PROPOSAL AND, IF YOU DEEM DESIRABLE, THE RESULTS OF SOUNDINGS WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCY OFFICIALS.

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